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In re the Application of

Inventor: Kuniyuki KAJITA Art Unit: 2133

Appln. No.: 10/018,658 Exr. M. Chaudry

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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR CODING/DECODING

REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF  
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

With respect to the Information Disclosure Statement filed July 19, 2005, applicants respectfully request that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the previously supplied Form PTO-1449 indicating consideration of the reference(s); for the convenience of the Examiner, a copy of that Form PTO-1449 is attached, as well as a copy of the IDS and PTO date-stamped filing receipt.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.97(e)(1)

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Dear Sir:

In fulfillment of 37 CFR 1.97(c)(1) and 1.97(e)(1), it is hereby certified that each item of information contained in the attached Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication (see the attached copy of a Foreign Office Action dated June 15, 2005) from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

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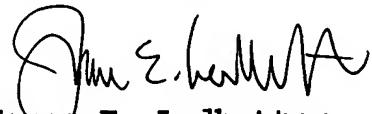
Dear Sir:

Pursuant to Rules 56 and 99, Applicants hereby call the attention of the Patent Office to the art listed on the attached Form PTO 1449. All of these references were cited in an Korean Office Action dated June 15, 2005 (copy attached). WO '227 corresponds to KR '891 and WO '432 corresponds to KR '685.

Applicants present this art so that the Patent Office may, in the first instance, determine any relevancy thereof to the presently claimed invention, see Beckman Instruments, Inc. v. Chemtronics, Inc., 439 F.2d 1369, 1380, 165 USPQ 355, 364 (5th Cir. 1970). Also see Patent Office Rules 104 and 106. Applicants respectfully request that this art be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application and made of record herein and

appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue herefrom.

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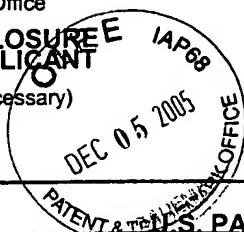
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## PATENT DOCUMENTS

## **FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

**OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)**

**Korean Office Action dated June 15, 2005 with English translation.**

**EXAMINER**

**DATE CONSIDERED**

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